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ACTIVITY OF MSH5

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 31, 2002 (Paper No. 11) which issued in the above-identified application. A request for the appropriate extension of time in which to respond is being filed concurrently herewith. Responsive to the Office Action, please amend the specification as follows.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 14 and 23, without prejudice, and amend claims 13, 24, 29, and 30-32 as follows:

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